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SUBJECT: Monitoring Results from 2006-2007 School Year

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The following is a summary of compliance monitoring of forty (40) state agency and private schools during the 2006-2007 school year cycle. Of the forty programs monitored, thirty-three (33) had no identified exceptions. Seven programs accounted for twenty-four (24) exceptions.

# **Seven Programs Accounted for The Following Twenty- Four Exceptions:**

#### 1. Mountain Youth Academy

- a. Parent concerns on IEP was left blank
- b. Progress Reports dates was left blank on IEP

### 2. New Pathway Academy

- a. One folder was missing page three of the IEP.
- b. Psychological did not validate Disability
- c. No response regarding related services, supervision, and direct services.
- d. Date progress reports were mailed out to parents.
- e. Present Level of performance was left blank.

### 3. Natchez Trace Youth Academy

- a. One folder was missing a completed Eligibility Report with all necessary assessment team signatures
- b. Three folders was missing remarks on the medical findings or either was left blank
- c. Two folders did not rule out the lack of reading, math, and LEP.
- d. Three folders did not contain notices of transition discussion to be included in the scheduling of the IEP.

## 4. Kingswood School

- a. Disability determination documentation, not present regarding eligibility reports.
- b. Pg 6 of the IEP did not have the required signatures regarding participants of the IEP meeting.

## 5. Eckerd Academy at Deer Lodge

- a. There was no response for Prevocational/Vocational area of present levels of performance on several IEPs.
- b. There was no response regarding related services, supervision, and direct special education to indicate their considerations towards the disability.
- c. Parental concerns area of IEP was left blank.
- d. There was no response regarding the area of interagency responsibilities.
- e. There was no psychological to validate LD.

## 6. Cumberland Hall Academy

- a. There was no signed Dr's report to diagnosis OHI (ADHD) in 2 files.
- b. Age of majority was not addressed in 2 files.
- c. Comprehensive vocational evaluation was not given regarding 3 files.
- d. One folder contains an out of date Eligibility Report.

# 7. Lake Brook Academy

- a. The eligibility report and psychological needed to be redone following the reevaluation.
- b. The area of: justifying removal from regular education and not the participating in activities was left blank on the IEP.